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NCLB Commission to hold hearing in Madison on June 9

MADISON— State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster is among those invited to testify during the Commission on No Child Left Behind field hearing at 9:30 a.m. on June 9 at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center in Madison. The hearing is to gather information on the impact of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) on improving student achievement and closing the achievement gap.

The state superintendent has been gathering feedback from various educational organizations and partners on NCLB in Wisconsin over the course of the past year. She will testify on Wisconsin's efforts to implement NCLB requirements for identifying schools in need of improvement, corrective action, and restructuring, including public school choice and supplemental services. The Madison hearing on effective interventions for struggling schools is the fourth to be conducted by the commission. The other hearings focused on teachers, assessments, and accountability. Information from the NCLB hearings will be provided to Congress, which is scheduled to begin reauthorization of the federal education laws in 2007.

The Commission on No Child Left Behind is co-chaired by former Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson and former Georgia Gov. Roy Barnes. It is funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, the Joyce Foundation, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Carnegie Corporation of New York, and the Spencer Foundation.

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WHO: State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster

WHAT: Invited Testimony — No Child Left Behind Hearing
Successful Interventions: Helping Schools Achieve Academic Success

WHEN: 9:30 a.m., Friday, June 9, 2006

WHERE: Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center
Multimedia Lecture Hall, 1 John Nolen Drive, Madison

Hearing Webcast Information < www.nclbcommission.org >